REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

STATUS OF THE APPLICATION

Claims 1-39 were pending in this application and examined. Claims 11, 16, and 29 are objected to for informalities. Claims 1-10, 13-23, 26-36, and 39 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Chen et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,249,281) (hereinafter "Chen") in view of Qureshi et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,396,500) (hereinafter "Qureshi"). Claims 11-12, 24-25, and 37-38 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Chen in view of Qureshi, and further in view of Bretschneider et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,008,807) (hereinafter "Bretschneider").

Applicant has amended claims 1-6 and 9-39. A new claim 40 has been added. Applicant submits that support for the claims can be found in the specification and the figures. Claims 1-40 remain pending in this application after filing of this amendment.

THE SPECIFICATION

Applicant has updated the specification to insert application number information. Applicant submits that no new subject matter has been added by the amendments.

THE CLAIMS

Objections

Claims 11, 16, and 29 are objected to for informalities. Applicant submits that the amended claims overcome the objections.

Claim Rejections under 35 UCS 103

Claim 1

Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Chen in view of Oureshi. Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection.

As recited in Applicant's claim 1, as amended, an adapter system is provided which is a physical device (or component) comprising a transceiver. As recited in claim 1, the

adapter receives audio or video information from at least two different sources—a first system and a capture device. The adapter receives at least one of audio or video information from a first system, wherein the audio or video information is generated from a presentation file. For example, the first system may be a computer executing a Microsoft PowerPoint program that is used to output slides from a *.ppt file. The adapter receives the audio or video from the computer generated as a result of the slide show presentation. By capturing the audio or video information from the computer, the adapter is not coupled to or concerned about the application program (e.g., Microsoft PowerPoint) used for the presentation.

In addition to receiving audio or video information from a first system, the adapter also receives information captured by a capture device during the presentation. Examples of capture devices include a video capture device, a microphone, and the like. For example, the adapter may receive audio information (e.g., what is spoken by the presenter or attendees of the presentation) captured by a microphone.

The information received by the adapter from the first system and the information received from the capture device is then communicated from the adapter. For example, the information may be communicated to an output device for live streaming of the information or may be communicated to a storage device.

Applicant submits that the above-described features recited in claim 1 are not taught or suggested by Chen or Qureshi, considered individually or in combination.

Chen teaches techniques for generating an on-demand presentation (reference 330 in Fig. 3 of Chen) using a set of presentation slides (reference 315 in Fig. 3 of Chen) and associated audio and/or video information (reference 320 in Fig. 3 of Chen) of a live presentation. (Chen: col. 3 lines 52-58). The audio/video information may have been previously recorded using a variety of different recording media (e.g., film, VHS tape, etc.) (Chen: col. 3 lines 60-64). Alternatively, the audio/video information may be captured in real time using a video device (reference 454 in Fig. 4 of Chen) and/or a microphone (reference 452 in Fig. 3 of Chen) (Chen: col. 3 lines 64-66, col. 4 lines 52-56). The slides and the audio/video information are transmitted to a client system (reference 134 in Figs. 3 and 4 of Chen). A software module

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(the on-demand presentation module 310) executing on client 134 links the audio/video information with the slides to create on-demand presentation 330 (Chen: col. 4 lines 17-59).

Applicant submits that Chen does not teach or suggest a physical adapter that comprises a transceiver. The Office Action has compared the on-demand presentation module 310 depicted in Figs. 3 and 4 of Chen to an adapter recited in the claim 1. However, Applicant submits that the on-demand presentation module 310 is a piece of software that is executed by client 134 (Chen: col. 3 lines 53-55). This is substantially different from the adapter recited in claim 1.

Further, Applicant submits that Chen does not teach an adapter that receives audio or video information from two different systems. As indicated above, Chen teaches receiving audio/video information 320 from a recording media or from a video device 454 and/or a microphone. Applicant submits that, at best, this may be compared to receiving information from a "capture device" as recited in claim 1. However, Chen does not appear to teach receiving audio or video information from any other source. Accordingly, Applicant submits that Chen fails to teach or suggest receiving at least one of video information or audio information from a first system, wherein the video or audio information is generated from a presentation file, recited in claim 1.

Applicant would like to point out that in Chen the on-demand presentation module 310 executing on client 134 receives slides 315 as depicted in Fig. 3 of Chen. These slides are however received directly from a presentation application program (e.g., Microsoft PowerPoint) executed by client 134—the on-demand presentation module is thus tied to and has to understand the presentation application program. This is different from claim 1, wherein the adapter receives the video or audio information from the first system generated from the presentation file-this is different from receiving slides directly from a presentation program. The adapter recited in claim 1 is thus not tied to the presentation application program.

Additionally, Applicant submits that Chen does not teach or suggest an adapter comprising a transceiver that is used to communicate from the adapter information received from the first system and the capture device. In light of the above, Applicant submits that Chen fails to teach or suggest the various features recited in claim 1, as described above.

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Applicant further submits that the deficiencies of Chen are not cured either by Qureshi or Bretschneider. Qureshi teaches a method and system for translating slides into pages of animated and non-animated objects for graphical display as a slide show by a viewing facility such as a browser. Qureshi does not seem to teach or suggest an adapter as recited in claim 1. Bretschneider teaches a system and method for viewing an electronic slide presentation using different modes. Applicant submits that Bretschneider also does not seem to teach or suggest an adapter as recited in claim 1. Accordingly, Applicant submits that even if Chen, Qureshi, and Bretschneider were combined, the resultant combination would not teach or suggest the invention recited in Applicant's claim 1. Applicant thus submits that claim 1 is allowable over the Chen, Qureshi, and Bretschneider and is in a condition for allowance.

Claims 2-39

Applicant submits that independent claims 14 and 27 should be allowable for at least a similar rationale as discussed for allowing claim 1, and others. Applicants further submits that dependent claims 2-13, 15-26, and 28-39 which depend either directly or indirectly from claims 1, 14, and 27 respectively, should also be allowed for at least a similar rationale as discussed for allowing claims 1, 14, and 27, and others.

Furthermore, many of the dependent claims recite additional features which, contrary to what is stated in the Office Action, are also not taught or suggested by the cited references, thus making the claims patentable for additional reasons.

New Claim

A new claim 40 has been added to claim features of the present invention. Applicant submits that the new claim is allowable.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

A supplemental IDS is being filed with this response. The IDS cites references 31-42 from the IDS filed on 09/19/2004 and additional references. Copies of non-patent references are enclosed. Applicant requests that the references cited in the IDS be expressly

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considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

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